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THE TRUE ARISTOCRACY.

BY GEORGE W. BUNGAY.

Grand is the man whose praise I sing,
The sceptre he sways is self-control;
Crowned or uncrowned, he is king,
Royal in heart and royal in soul.
Not birth, but thought and feeling,
Make up the manliest man;
Not scarfs, nor stars, nor titles—
Not heritage, kith nor clan.

In palace or cot he is the same,
In purple clad, or in homespun drest;
Whether unknown, or known to fame,
A true heart beats in his manly breast.
A tender sense of honor,
A delicate love of right,
Lead him from gulfs of darkness
Into golden paths of light.

Nature stamps him noble and free,
His spirit mounts on stainless wings;
The patent of his nobility
Needs not the endorsement of kings.
Born in a humble stable,
Among the lowliest things,
And cradled in a manger,
Was the greatest King of kings.

O mother dear, your boy so bright
May never wear laurel wreath nor crown,
Yet he can be brave as the bravest knight—
Brave in putting oppression down,
For the lance that is lifted
In pity, for mercy's cause,
Shall win a better renown
Than the noise of the world's applause.

O sister sweet, your brother can be
Lofty and pure beyond rebuke,
Full of Faith, Hope, and Charity,
And as grand as the grandest duke.
On honest hearts the highest
Thrones of honor are built,
But *they* must totter and tumble
That are based on lies and guilt.

O loving wife, your loyal lord
Can be as kingly as any king;
The sunny smile and the gentle word
Are worth more than stars which titles bring.
Love is a flower whose odor
Sweetens the air of life;
It makes a king of the husband,
It makes a queen of the wife.

All true women and all true men
Come of the race of kings, we see;
Of the million down, and the upper ten,
They are the true aristocracy.
Their children shall be princes,
In poverty born or, wealth,
For they shall inherit good manners,
And a heritage of health.

SELECTED STORY.

WILLIE'S LUCK.

BY FRANCES HENSHAW BRADEN.

It was many years ago, before the days of railroads, that the stage-coach came rumbling along the road between Baltimore and Washington. On the wayside a boy was sitting. He looked sick, and very tired. Lifting his head, he listened a moment, then said:

"Here she comes! If Jenks is driving, and he looks kind of pleasant, I'll ask him for a lift a few minutes. I hope he is. I'm awful tired. I don't believe I'll ever get back the strength I used to have; those dreadful chills shook it all out of me."

He strained his eyes as the stage came in sight, and a disappointed look came over his pale face as he said:

"No, Jenks is not there. It's old Pierce. Well, if I drop down, and die on the way, I won't ask him: I can't forget the time I did, and he swore and cracked his whip at me. I wonder how it is some men are so much better than others. Oh, if I live to be a man, won't I be kind to poor boys? Indeed I will. Oh, I wish I was rich! I do wish I may be rich sometime. I never would see a poor, tired body drag along without giving him a lift. How savage Pierce looks! Well, there is no hope there. I'll get a cool drink from that spring back there, and then walk on." He went feebly along, got his drink from the crystal spring, then filling again his tin cup, said:

"Pierce stops here to water his horse; I'll take this nice cool water, for may be somebody may like some."

He had just stepped again into the road as the stage stopped, and an instant after a lady looked out and called:

"Little man, do give me some of that water; my little girl is so thirsty!"

She held toward the boy, whose pale face flushed with pleasure at the manner she greeted him, a silver cup.

He hastened forward, filled the cup, and said: "I'll go back and get some more, lady."

Forgetting for the time his own weariness, in contributing to the comfort of others, he hurried back to the spring, and returned again, panting, to the stage side.

During his absence the lady was thinking of his pale, thin face, and wondering if he had far to walk.

"Mamma, poor boy so tired—see!" said the little girl, as he handed up the water again.

"Have you far to walk, my little man?" the lady asked.

"To Washington, ma'am."

"O dear, dear! you can not, you must not do so! You will faint on the way. You look ill now. Driver, can you give him a seat by you?" the lady asked, as Pierce came up. "No, ma'am. If I begin that business, there will be no end to it, and it don't pay," answered Pierce cruffly.

"Very well; then I will take him in here, where it will pay—you in money, and me in something of more value, perhaps," answered the lady, handing Pierce the amount of fare. She lifted to her lap the little girl, and said: "Now, my little friend, get in." Something either in the lady's words or manner made an impression on the rough man, for he came forward, opened the coach door, and said:

"The seat is yours. You paid for it, and if you choose to take your little girl in your lap and let this youngster have it, it's all right. Put up your money, ma'am; I don't take pay twice for one seat."

An approving smile answered him. The door was closed, and in a few moments after the coach was rolling along.

The boy's gratitude was very manifest. His eyes filled with tears as he said: "I'm afraid you will tire yourself to help me, lady. You are so kind. I'm very thankful. I'm dreadful tired."

"No, my boy. Susie is not very heavy, and it gives me pleasure to have you here with us. Have you any friends in Washington?"

"I have one, ma'am: the gentleman that has promised to give me employment. He wrote for me to come. I'd not minded the walk two months ago, but I've been sick, and am not strong yet."

"Poor child! I think not. Your friends should not have let you attempt it," said the lady with a compassionate look.

"Mother wouldn't, ma'am. She gave me the money, but I knew she couldn't spare it. She is a widow, and I've two little sisters. I took the money, because I didn't want her to know what I was going to do. After I bid good-bye, I went round to the wood yard and bought as much as my money would, and sent it home. I knew mother needed wood more than anything else. It's cutting cold night now.—Mother will not know I started to walk, because the man promised me not to tell her. I told him just how it was. But now I've had such good luck, I'll tell her all about it some day," said the boy, smiling confidingly at his friend.

"What's your name?" lisped Susie.

"William Upton. Mother and the little girls call me Willie."

"Willie! Oh, I like you ever so much! Willie is such a sweet name. My little brother in heaven was named Willie," Susie answered.

"The name of Willie is very dear to me. I'm doubly glad to have you with us. You are a good boy, Willie, and I am sure will prove a blessing to your mother. How old are you?" asked the lady, with a sweet, sad look.

"Nearly fourteen, ma'am. I wish I was older, for mother's sake," answered Willie.

"I'm over four, Willie," whispered Susie, confidingly. And isn't he a nice boy?" in a lower tone to her mother. The children soon became very communicative, Susie telling that they were going to see papa, who had just come home from sea; that he lived in a big ship. At the end of the journey, the kind lady, bidding Willie good-bye, promised to see him again, saying:

"You will do well, I am sure, Willie, and find many friends."

The kind lady, Mrs. Barton, fully intended doing so; but a great sorrow sorrow awaited her, which drove from her mind all thoughts of poor Willie. Her husband she found in miserable health, really ill. Every moment and thought were devoted to him. But a few more months, and Susie was fatherless. Years passed on. Other trials Susie's mother had to bear: loss of friends and fortune; everything was swept away but the small amount of a lieutenant's pension, which, with Susie's help by giving music lessons, secured them a very humble home. Mrs. Barton went twice a year to Washington to receive her pension. Sometimes a remembrance of Willie Upton would come to her, and she thought she would like much to know something of him; but she had no clue by which to hurt him, having lost the address of his employer, and entirely forgotten his name and branch of business.

One afternoon when Mrs. Barton was returning home, the train was very crowded. Every seat in the ladies' car was occupied when she entered, only a few moments previous to their starting. A gentleman seated near the door arose quickly, and removing the little baby girl from his lap to the lady's next him, said:

"Please take this seat, madam."

She thanked him, and was about expressing her regret to have inconvenienced the lady, when the intent look of the gentleman caused her to hesitate. She felt annoyed at what she should have thought rudeness, if not for a moment his gaze; then, turning again, looked more earnestly, and with a glad smile, said: "I can not be mistaken. Time has not changed you so much that I should not know you. But I am sure, even if you have ever again thought of William Upton, you would not know him."

"Are you that Willie?—that pale little boy of——"

"Yes, of twenty years ago. I am so delighted to meet you," said William, clasping her hand.

"And I you. But why have you never found me in all these years?"

"Because—only think, I never knew your name. Only as Susie's mother I have thought and spoken of you," said William.

"Indeed I thought Susie told you. Barton is my name."

William leant forward, and patting the little baby girl, said:

"This is my little Susie. Clara, my dear, Mrs. Barton. My——"

"Willie, the ticket! The conductor is waiting for you," interrupted the beautiful woman next Mrs. Barton.

As William handed the ticket, she said.

"I am so delighted to know you, Mrs. Barton. Willie has so often talked of you, and insisted I should call our little one here Susie."

"Tell me of Susie. Excuse me. I must say Miss Barton now. Or perhaps she is married!"

William Upton said;

"No, she is still mine only."

When they reached Baltimore, William said:

"My carriage is here. I shall take you home."

Mrs. Barton demurred, but William insisted, and turning said,

"Clara, dear, I shall put you in. Excuse me. Go home, and send Dick back as soon as possible. I shall wait with Mrs. Barton in the reception room."

Handing little Susie into the elegant carriage in which her mother was already seated, William closed the door, telling the man to drive on, drew Mrs. Barton's hand within his arm, and proceeding to the reception room seated her, and taking the one next, said:

"Now tell me why your face, which I have remembered as very bright, is shadowed?"

"I have been widowed since the year I met you," Mrs. Barton said, in a sad tone.

Dignity, ease and woman-like gentleness were combined in his manner, and when he said:

"I am going to tell you what has happened to me all these years, and then you will give me your confidence, will you not?" She could not resist him.

He told her it had been as she had said. He had found many friends, the best of all being his employer, with whom he had remained all the time, rising to higher grades of position until, after fifteen years, he become a partner in the large establishment. A few months before, his friend had died. Being an old bachelor, he left him one-half of his large fortune.

William then drew from Mrs. Barton the story of her sorrows.

An hour after, Susie was very much surprised when an elegant carriage drew up to the door, from which a very handsome young man alighted, and handed out her mother. Of course she remembered nothing of her stage companion, but she very soon regarded him with as much favor as the little four year-old girl did the youth at that time.

"Oh, mother, is it not very strange? his good luck, and your meeting again after all these years! How very handsome and pleasant he is!" exclaimed Susie, when William had gone.

"Don't grow to like him too much, Susie, dear. He is married!"

"Married!" exclaimed Susie, in disappointment.

"Yes, dear. He presented me to his wife. And his little girl is called Susie."

Notwithstanding her mother's warning, Susie's thoughts lingered much on the friend of her babyhood. She fell asleep thinking of him, and dreamed his wife had taken away from her all the flowers and things she prized most, and was fixing them up in her own beautiful home. When, two days after, William called again, Susie liked him more than the first evening.

When Mrs. Barton inquired how Mrs. Upton was, he replied that she was very well, and anxious to call with him to see them; that he should bring her after awhile. After that visit Susie would not come down to see him, and positively declined his invitations to ride. Many times he visited Mrs. Barton's, but never saw Susie, except, perhaps, for a few moments occasionally, when she would come into the parlor at her mother's earnest request.

Mrs. Barton at length began to think his coming unnecessarily often, and wondered at his never bringing Mrs. Upton, whom he had never mentioned since his second visit. She concluded that perhaps Mrs. Upton did not like his apparent great friendship for them, and therefore would not come. So determining to push the matter a little and find out, she asked:

"When are we to have the pleasure of seeing your wife?"

"My wife?" returned William, much astonished; and a moment after, with a smile, he answered, "Never, unless Miss Susie treats me with a little more cordiality."

"Excuse me; but you spoke of her wishing to come, or I should not have mentioned it," said Mrs. Barton.

"I spoke of my wife? I do not remember it; and shall have to repeat, that unless Susie treats me with more favor I shall never bring my wife to you, or any one else," William Upton answered, smiling gently.

"I do not understand you," said the bewildered woman.

"You are very much mistaken, my friend, in supposing I have a wife. I spoke of Mrs. Upton, my mother—"

"And the lady with you in the car?" interrupted Mrs. Barton. Did I not present her—my sister?" asked William.

Then Mrs. Barton remembered the interruption in the introduction.

"My sister Clara," continued William. "Now I will tell you, my dear friend, Susie is the only girl I have ever felt like making my wife."

Susie came in just then, and of course Mrs. Barton found it very necessary for her to attend to some domestic duties, and retired. When she returned, an hour after, William, with Susie's hand clasped in his, said:

"Now I can promise you that you shall see my wife very often; for Susie has given me permission to call you mother too."

"Little did I suppose I should win such a bountiful reward for that little act of kindness," said Mrs. Barton, when they were speaking of their meeting so many years ago, "or that God would give me a Willie in place of the one I had lost," she continued—

"I'm sure you will, my boy, and to many others too. Happiness will be brought to many dreary hearts and homes through Willie's good luck."

ANGRY WITHOUT CAUSE.

One morning an enraged farmer came into Mr. M's store, with very angry looks. He left a team in the street, and had a good stick in his hand.

"Mr. M.," said the angry farmer, "I bought a paper of nutmegs here in your store, and when I got home they were more than half walnuts, and that's the young villain that I bought 'em of," pointing to John.

"John," said Mr. M., "did you sell this man walnuts for nutmegs?"

"No, sir,' was the answer.

"You lie, you little villain!" said the farmer still more enraged at his assurance.

"Now look here," said John, "if you had taken the trouble to weigh your nutmegs, you would have found that I put in the walnuts *gratis*."

"Oh, you gave them to me, did you?"

"Yes, sir. I threw in a handful for the children to crack," said John, at the same time laughing.

"Well, now, if that ain't a young scamp," said the farmer, his features relaxing into a grin through the matter.

Much hard talk and bad blood would be saved if people would *stop to weigh* before they blame others. "Think twice before you speak once," is an excellent motto.

One cannot bear to pay for an article he used to get for nothing.

Music, says Auerbach, washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.

The most miserable pettifogging in the world is that of a man in the court of his own conscience.

If the spring put forth no blossoms, in summer there will be no beauty, and in autumn no fruit; so, if youth be trifled away without improvement, manhood will probably be contemptible, and old age miserable.

THE STAR.

R. W. LOGAN. A. D'K. WALLACE.

LOGAN & WALLACE,

EDITORS AND PROPRIETORS.

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C.

SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 1872.

Republican Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Republicans of Rutherford County, at the Court House on next Saturday the 16th instant, for the purpose of appointing delegates to the State Republican Convention to be held in Raleigh on the 17th day of April next.

Every Republican in Rutherford County, is earnestly requested to attend the meeting.

A REQUEST.

The undersigned requests that a list of the delegates appointed to the State Convention, be forwarded to him at the earliest possible moment. It will facilitate busines very much. A list of the County Executive Committees appointed by the County Conventions should be forwarded also. Republicans will please take notice of our request and act accordingly.

Republican papers will please copy and keep this notice standing until the 17th day of April.

J. C. L. HARRIS,
Sec. Rep. State Ex. Com.
Raleigh, N. C., March 1, 1872.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

The time is close at hand for the meeting of the Republican State Convention, and desiring that our position should be understood by our Republican friends throughout the State upon the subject of nominations, we propose to make a few plain and candid suggestions. We are Republicans of the straightest sect. We have advocated and defended the principles of the Republican party from its infancy in North Carolina. We have risked our lives and our property in the defense of these glorious principles, and although we have escaped bodily harm, it is known all over the nation that our printing office was mobed and destroyed by the Ku Klux Democracy, because of our faithful adherence to those principles, and we think we have a right to be heard on the subject refered to above.

As we stated above we are Republicans of the straightest sect and as such we shall speak what we think conducive to the interest of the Union Republican party in North Carolina.

Now in regard to the nomination of candidates by the Republican State Convention in April next, we have a few words to say, and believing that we are right we shall be plain and candid. As we have said before, too much caution cannot be used in selecting our candidates for State Officers. A mistake, though at the time it may seem slight, may be the cause of the defeat of the whole ticket next summer.

No such mistake will be made however, if the wishes of the masses are respected. This is not a hard thing to do. The people are open and candid in their expressions, and their choice of men for diffierent offices, is easily understood.

We are not mistaken when we say, there are men who if nominated, would receive the hearty support of the masses of the Republican party in this State, while there are others who, with all that can be done and said in their behalf, cannot and will not receive a hearty support. There can be no doubt of this, and it is therefore necessary that we be very careful who we select as our Standard bearers. The people are on the lookout. If a man is spoken of as a suitable candidate for office, they at once enquire, why is he more suitable than any other person? What has he done to entitle him to the support of the people? We want some man who has showed his hand; that has done something for the good of his country and his fellow citizens, and we do not intend to support men whom we have tried and found wanting.

The Republican party in this State was defeated signally in 1870. What was the cause of this defeat? Was it not because of the carelessness and bad management of the leaders of the party? We think it was, and we believe we are sustained in this opinion by the majority of the people.

In 1871, an election was ordered on the question of Convention by the Democratic Legislature. Republicans were disheartened; and with but few exceptions were almost willing to give way to their political opponents and let them have what they were fighting for. The Ku Klux Klan was becoming a terror to almost every Republican in the State. Hundreds and hundreds of the honest and innocent Republicans were being whipped scourged and even murdered by these midnight assassins. But it was so ordered that this state of things should not exist longer. There were a few men in North Carolina who had still firmness and back-bone to step forward and relieve their fellow citizens. What was the result?

The damnable Ku Klux Klan was broken up. Their numerous cruel and bloody deeds laid bare to the world. Numbers were arrested and held to answer the charges against them. The table was turned. The down troden and intimidated Republicans saw that relief had come. They rose up in their might and the Convention movement was defeated by a handsome majority.

Now we would ask our Republican friends, who deserves the credit of this great change? Who do the people give credit for it? These are things that should be taken into consideration and not treated lightly. The people know who these men are and they honor and respect them for what they have done, and such men would receive their warmest support if they should be nominated for any office in their gift, at the same time there are men who did not encourage these men in breaking up the terrible conspiracy, as they should have done, such men cannot get the support of the masses.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Written for the Star.

WISDOM.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—I have been paying some attention of late to meetings being held in different parts of the State, and delegates being appointed to the State Convention, to be held in Raleigh, on the 17th of April next, for the purpose of nominating the Candidates for the Republican State ticket. And I think I have noticed something very significant, as well as wise, in the people.

Thus far *very few* of the counties, have *instructed* their delegates to cast their votes for any particular person, for any of the offices to be filled; this is certainly Wisdom, it shows confidence in the delegates and leaves them entirely untrammeled in their action.

The principals advocated in the STAR in this matter, will I presume not be disputed by any true Republican. Which are, that no one but "true and tried Republicans should be nominated and elected to office."

What should be the test, or in other words, what should and ought the people to require to satisfy them who ought to fill the various offices in their gift? What manner of man ought he to be? Without presuming to dictate to others, I will lay down a few rules which I think the best criterion to enable a selection to be made, and if a choice is governed by them, and success does not take place, the only reason will be lack of numbers to succeed.

First, the nominee should be *honest*. This can be easily ascertained, provided he is of sufficient age to have formed a general character of *public* notoriety.

Second, he should have sufficient ability to manage the office for which he might be selected. This can be easily ascertained also, by comparing his success in any important matters of State with his compeers, and more particularly if he has labored under disadvantages, and shown independence, fortitude and ability in his undertakings.

Third, the nominee should have strength, that is *party* strength.

In this the people *cannot* be deceived, and if they act contrarily in this connection they dig their own graves, and set up their own tomb stones.

One who has strength shows it by rising or falling, gaining or loosing ground among those with whom he has had *immediate* contests

For instance, take any one in his county or district who has had various opportunities before the people of measuring his strength with "foeman worthy of his steel," and ascertain the result. Has he gained or has he lost? has he maintained his ground? If he has, then he must have *strength*—if he has not, then he has none. It is wise, however, to know if he has succeeded, how he has done so, whether it is by *strategy*, or open and fair dealing.

I don't think it very difficult to find men possessed of the three requisites. Such should certainly be selected, and if they are, North Carolina will continue to be Republican.

It is not unfrequently the case that the floating vote unite on men of strength, and it is certainly true that their own party will go into the campaign with all their might under such standard-bearers.

On the other hand, suppose the Convention should select men who never carried their county or District, or if they had at some time, lost them again, the cry would at once be—"*he has no strength*, he can't even carry his own county!"

It is not surprising that parties are often ruined by men who generally loose, and but seldom gain.

From what I can learn from the newspapers and elsewhere, a large majority of those who are now seeking office in our State are men who, perhaps, never carried even their county, and if they did, it was only to loose it again.

Rumor says that some Republicans, *by name*, have often used the phrase that "true men" *would stick at all hazards*—meaning that a nominee would be supported by all *true Republicans*, even if he lacked the three requisites—honesty, ability and strength. I would advise such men to be careful, lest they reckon without their host, and I would advise all *true Republicans* to keep their eyes open, to keep duly sober and wide-awake, and by all means prevent political tricksters and intriguers from getting into office.

Is our country ever to be peaceable, quiet and orderly, the laws to be respected, obeyed and enforced? It can not become so by thimble riggers and intriguers.

Of one thing I am proud—I have not heard of a single Republican in North Carolina, but who is in favor of the renomination of General Grant. He has shown his honesty, ability and strength. Let the Convention by *acclamation* endorse his administration as its *first* act, then by example nominate men of the like stamp, adjourn, go home and enter the campaign. SUCCESS.

For the Rutherford Star.

RALEIGH, N. C.,
March 6th, 1872.

EDITORS STAR:

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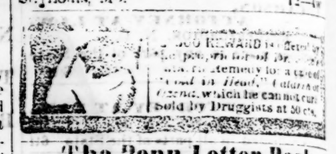

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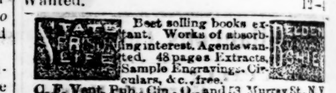

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CHARACTERISTIC ENTERPRISE.—The great Chicago Fire laid waste, during the fatal forty hours between Sunday evening, Oct. 9th, and Tuesday morning following, hundreds of millions of dollars in property. All the principal buildings, Banks, Stores, Warehouses, Printing Offices, and Publishing Houses, went down; among the latter were the offices of the new family weekly paper "OUR FIRESIDE FRIEND," but with that indomitable energy which is characteristic of Chicago, the publishers, Messrs. Waters, Eborts & Co., while their fine offices were yet burning, were making arrangements to resume their business and carry forward their great enterprise. They immediately secured a new location at 783 State Street, which they occupy until their former place is rebuilt. They are now issuing their paper, a beautiful eight page, illustrated, literary and fireside journal, filled with choice reading and finely illustrated, and are pursuing their original plan of distributing one hundred thousand dollars among their subscribers for 1872. Specimen copies, Premium Lists, etc., will be sent free to any address.

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We copy the following from the Philadelphia *Press*, as important to our Southern readers about this time:

"This country imported in 1866 no less than 76,209,397 pounds of rice, and the first quality sold for 13½ cents per pound. Our home product, which was 20,118,600 pounds in 1866, has risen rapidly and pretty steadily since, till it amounted, in 1871, to 92,000,000 pounds. Meantime the price of first quality has fallen to 9 cents per pound."—*American Artisan.*

This, be it remembered, has been achieved under protection, the duties levied for which, according to our free-traders, are taxes, and nothing but taxes, and keep up prices. These gentry, headed by the disinterested importers of rice, have been hard at work in Washington this winter endeavoring to have this duty repealed. The fact is that these importers, seeing that our domestic supply is now within 2,000,000 punds of the total foreign and domestic of 1866, find their trade slipping away—their occupation almost gone. For our part we recognize the revival of this important industry in the South as a genuine step towards reconstruction, and our sympathies are with the rice planters and the freedmen who work for them. It would be almost criminal in Congress to repeal these duties and prostrate this interest. Let our friends see that it is not done.

GOV. W. W. HOLDEN.

This gentleman has severed his connection with *The Washington Chronicle*. His valedictory is as follows:

TO THE PUBLIC.

My connection with the *Chronicle*, as one of its editors, ceases with this number.

In retiring, it affords me pleasure to bear this public testimony to the unvarying courtesy and kindness I have received from my associates on the editorial staff, and from the gentlemen employed in the establishment.

I have severed my connection with the *Chronicle* from no want of ardor in the Republican cause, and from no indisposition to support the administration of General Grant. My residence in Washington, and the opportunities I have had for observing public events, have confirmed me more than ever in my attachment to Republican principles, and in the conviction that the re-election of General Grant is indispensable to the continued peace and prosperity of the country, if not in the preservation of the Government itself. I regard his re-election to a second term as equally important with that of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. There is nothing in his career, whether at the head of armies or as President of the United States, which does not evince his supreme attachment to the Union, and entitle him to the entire confidence of the friends of the Government in the Eastern, Northern, and Western States. While this is so, he has been uniformly magnanimous, generous, and just toward the Southern people. That people will, I think, make a great mistake if they do not sustain him in this contest by even larger majorities than they gave him in 1868. —W. W. HOLDEN.

NOW AND THEN.

The Democratic paprrs and politicians are perfectly jubilant whenever a rascally radical Republican, who has been robbing the Government is brought to grief by trial, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary. The only regret with everybody but thieves themselves, is that more are not brought to justice. But the Democrats cannot see the difference in this respect between themselves and the Republicans. The administration of Buchanan and Johnson were confessedly the most corrupt that ever disgraced our government. But no Democratic paper ever denounced the thieves and plunderers then, and no defaulters were ever prosecuted for their dishonesty. In the estimation of that party, "every thing was lovely and the goose hung high." It is not strange that every department of the government is infested with thieves, when we consider how many Democrats abandoned that organization and came over and joined the radicals. They came fully and thoroughly educated in all that is dishonest, and their success only proves the capacity of that party for instruction in the ways that are essentially Democratic and dishonest. But is it not unjust to upbraid the radicals for suffering from the practices of the principles of the Democratic school for official integrity, by the renegades of its own party, and who will all be in full fellowship with that party again as soon as it shall become manifest that the Democratic party will have the control of the patronage of the government. Those that are now being sent to the penitentiary for ten or twenty years, will have served out their terms by the time the party will succeed in a presidential election, and will be honored members of the party.

These scoundrels of course call themselves Republicans now, just as they called themselves Democrats when that party was in power, and will be ready to put on the regalia of the party just as soon as it will be their interest to do so. We feel a great pleasure in these convictions, because we realize the fact that an original Democrat is being brought to justice.—*Vincennes* (Ind.) *Times.*

CONGRESS.

The present session of Congress, thus far, has accomplished perhaps the nearest nothing of any session in the history of the Government, for many years. In fact it seems to be the determination of a few Senators and Representatives that nothing shall be accomplished. They only interest themselves in President making, to the manifest neglect of needed legislation.

It needs no very keen eye to discern the object of many of the moves and resolutions, offered by various members of the Senate and House. The opponents of President Grant are uniting in their efforts to defeat his renomination, while his friends are fully as determined that nothing shall be said or done in any way to effect his prospects. Thus the time is spent, by one party, in concocting some scheme to damage President Grant, and the other party studies day and night to defeat his opponents. In this way almost the entire session has, thus far, been thrown away. The people are being disgusted with their public servants, and, unless we are very much mistaken, the memory, of their present acts in Congress will not soon be effaced.

The opponents of the President introduce their resolutions in such a manner, or have them so worded, that the merest novice cannot fail to see their design. They cannot present a resolution of investigation without so wording or introducing it as to reflect on the Administration. While this is true of Grant's opponents his friends act equally ridiculous in the manner of their opposition to these resolutions. The people see these things and are heartily sick of them. Their voice is, "Let those opposed to Grant's re-nomination make such opposition like men, and not as they do, like assassins in the dark, and let those in favor of the Presidency of Gen. Grant for a second term advocate it with dignity, and not in such a way as to show that they desire to cover up, to all hazards, any mistake or failing made by Grant during his administration."

It is full well understood by the people that no President can possibly administer the Government for four years without making some mistakes or appointing some scamps to office. For the friends of Grant to endeavor to make it appear that he has made no blunders, is equally as absurd, on the part of his friends, as it is for his enemies to attempt to heap disgrace on the Administration and try to prove that Grant has been a failure.

If Senators and Representatives suppose the people do not understand these things they are woefully mistaken. If they suppose so they will find the people are not such fools as they imagine them to be.

When Senator Sumner offers a preamble to a resolution, by clearly drawn inference, implicating President Grant in selling arms to France during her war with Germany, every body in the land knows what it is done for—every Republican and Democrat in and out of Congress understands it. It is also fully as well understood when Senator Morton, by his manner, and clearly manifest sentiments, seemingly opposes everything wherein there is a possibility of any damage being done by investigation to the Administration. It is time that these things were stopped, and that Congress go to work and attend to such legislation as the country demands—Let President making alone and the people will approve their work.—*Berrien Co.,* (Mich.) *Record.*

KUKLUXISM AND DEMOCRACY.

It is needless for the Democratic party to become enraged at being called Kuklux Democracy, and it is as vain and futile for it to attempt to wipe out the blot which the connection of the infamous Klan places upon its record. The evidences are so plain that Kukluxism and democracy are synonymous terms and the stain of Kuklux outrage and crime is too deep-eyed and damning to be erased.

The sufferers by the numberless outrages and murders have all been Republicans; the perpetrators of them Democrats. The denouncers of these nefarious deeds have all been Republicans; the apologizers for them Democrats. The advocates of punishment being meted out to the criminals and of the complete extermination of the Klan have been Republicans; the opponents to these measures, all Democrats. This is the testimony in the case—"the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth." It will go to the jury, the people, next summer. We do not fear the verdict. And we do think that the Democratic party disparage their cause by wincing so much under the charge.

We speak for ourselves, probably the humblest prosecutor for the scourged, maimed and murdered plaintiffs, and we tell the Democratic leaders plainly, that although they fret, froth and rage, we shall hold them up to the public as responsible for the acts of the Klan, and shall enforce with our feeble ability, the proofs of Democratic complicity in the acts. Nor shall we relax our efforts until the party ceases to apologize for the criminals—and until the leaders cease trying to shield the perpetrators from justice, nor even, until the culprits receive the due penalties of the law for their heinous crimes without apology, intercession, let or hindrance by the Democratic party.—*Winston Republican.*

GENERAL GRANT AND HIS ASSAILANTS.

If the Administration were the seething mass of corruption which it is, sometimes alleged to be, would the Democratic party be in the moribund condition which the action of its Connecticut Convention reveals? Could that party ask anything more favorable to its hopes than a dominant opposition dissolving in its own corruption? What does the situation show but that the Republican hold upon the heart of the country is very sure? Yet what has so confirmed that hold but the general confidence in the character and purpose of the Administration? It is true that certain gentlemen who are called the President's friends oppose measures which he has recommended, such as the reform of the civil service and amnesty. But the gentlemen have always opposed them, and have opposed them openly, and despite their opposition the President urges them. It is alleged that this shows the President's interest in them to be a shallow pretense. Indeed! and when was it shown that the will and tenacity of General Grant were less than those of the gentlemen who are called his friends? And what events in his career justify the theory that his action is mingled of folly and duplicity?

From this time to the assembling of the Republican Convention the attempt to stain the character of the President, and to stigmatize him to the country as unfit for another term, will be incessant and malevolent. But he has been in the Wilderness before—and he came out of it. They mistake profoundly and perilously who suppose that the people forget, or that the mists of calumny that gather about every Administration have obscured the remembrance of the days when General Grant was the hope of America and of liberty. Coming fresh from the camp to the Cabinet, has he betrayed one of the great principles of the party which lifted him to power? Differing from many honored leaders, as they differ among themselves, has he forgotten the emancipated race, or the honor of the nation, or the welfare of the people? Silent by nature and by the conditions of his position, has he to one honest mind seemed guilty of any of the foul charges that have been thundered against him? There will certainly be an indignant re-action in the mind and heart of the American people against the relentless effort to injure the good name of the President of the United States. A reaction which will surely and triumphantly re-elect him, as a man who, in the "fierce light" of the intensest party animosity, as in the long doubt of the war, has shown himself a modest and faithful servant of his country.—*Harper's Weekly.*

Like the cards which form a child's plaything palace, our pleasures are nicely balanced one upon the other.

As the prickliest leaves are the dryest, so the pertest fellows are generally the most barren.

ALWAYS INTENDING.—In matters of great concern, and which must be done, there is no surer argument of a weak mind than irresolution—to be undetermined where the case is so plain, and the necessity so urgent; to be always intending to lead a new life, but never to find time to set about it.

PRESENT AND ABSENT.—"Good morning, Patrick; you have got a new coat at last, but it seems to fit you rather *'too much.'*"

"Och! there's nothing surprising in that sure, I wasn't there when I was measured for it."

Beauty is worse than wine; it intoxicates both the holder and the beholder.

Marriage is like a brilliant taper's light
Placed at the window on a summer night,
Attracting all the insects of the air
To come and singe their pretty wing lets there;
Those who are out butt heads against the pane,
And those within butt to get out again.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WITTKOWSKY & RINTELS'

CARD.

READ IT.

Again thanking a generous public for the very liberal share of their trade, accorded us the past year, we take this method of informing it (and the wholesale buyers in particular,) that our

SPRING STOCK

Is now coming in, and when complete (which will be about the 10th of March,) will be as usual, the largest, best selected, and comprise the greatest variety than that of any House in Western North Carolina.

Our Mr. RINTELS left on the 11th of this month, for the following markets: Baltimore, Philadelphia, Reading, New York, Brooklyn, Lynn and Boston, to make our purchases from first hands, the benefit of which we give our customers.

And as it it is dangerous for small buyers who can sell a limited amount of goods only, to go North, especially for the Summer trade, we respectfully invite them to look at our new Stock, feeling assured that we *can* and *will* make it to their *interest* to buy of us this Spring.

Respectfully,

WITTKOWSKY & RINTELS.

☞ We have also added a large and elegant lot of *CARPETS* to our Stock. 15-4w.

Revenue Sale.

I WILL SELL AT AUCTION, TO THE highest bidder, on the 13th day of March, A. D., 1872, the following named property seized by me for taxes due the United States, viz: One tract of land belonging to the heir or heirs of Govan Mills, dec'd, known now as the J. Columbus Mills place, lying on Vaughn's creek, waters of Packolet River, Polk county, N. C., adjoining lands of Newman C. Mills and George Williams. The above property will be sold at Columbus, Polk county, N. C., for cash, without reserve. PINKNEY ROLLINS,
Collector 7th District N. C.
Per W H DEAVER, Deputy Coll
February 20th, 1872— 14—td

Valuable Land for Sale.

BY virtue of a decree of the Probate Court of Rutherford county, I will expose to public sale to the highest bidder, at the court house in Rutherfordton, on Monday the 25th day of March next, all that valuable tract of land lying on the waters of 21 Broad River, containing about 150 acres and known as the James Morrow land, and sold for division between the heirs of said James Morrow, dec'd

Terms of sale—12 months credit will be given the purchaser, except for costs and charges, which will be required on day of sale, the purchaser to give bond and approved security. J. W. GREEN, Com'r.
14—td

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I DESIRE to inform the public, that I have opened a Barber Shop and Oyster Saloon next door north of Hawkins' Bar Room, where I will be pleased to serve all who may desire a clean shave, or a nice plate of oysters, as cheap as can be afforded.
no14—tf ED. WILLIAMS.

D. MAY & CO.,

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Hardware, Cutlery, Crockery Ware, Boots, Shoes and Leather,

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no13—tf D. MAY & CO.

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—AND—

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TOOLS, of various kinds, Nails, Horse Shoes, &c. &c.

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State of North Carolina,

Rutherford County.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Aden L Rucker, Lovenia Rucker, W B Walker and wife M J Walker, J L Rucker, H K Rucker, J W Whitesides and wife, U A Whitesides, vs.

Jonathan Ledbetter, W H Rucker, as Administrators of the estate of W Rucker, deceased, M H Kilpatrick, A O Ledbetter, Jas M Taylor, Executor of J L Taylor, dec'd:

You are hereby summoned to appear at the next ensuing regular term of the Superior court, to be held for the county of Rutherford, at the court house in Rutherfordton, on the 4th Monday in March next, and answer the complaint of the Plaintiff, a copy of which will be filed according to law, and let them take notice, that if they fail to answer said complaint within the time prescribed by law, the Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Hereof fail not. Given under my hand and the seal of said court, this 23d day of February, 1872.

J. B. CARPENTER, C. C. S. C.
for Rutherford County.
14-tf

THE FARMER'S FIRESIDE.

MY NEIGHBOR'S HOUSE.

BY PHŒBE CARY.

In the years that now are dead and gone—
Ay, dead, but ne'er forgot—
My neighbor's stately house looked down
On the walls of my humble cot.

I had my flowers and trees, 'tis true,
But they looked not fine and tall
As my neighbor's flowers and trees, that grew
On the other side of the wall.

Through the autumn leaves his ripe fruits gleamed
With richer tints than mine,
And his grapes in the summer sunshine seemed
More full of precious wine.

Through garden walk and bower I stray
Unhindered now and free;
For my neighbor long has passed away,
And his wealth has come to me.

I pace those stately halls at last,
But a darker shadow falls
Within the house than once it cast
On my lowly cottage walls.

I pluck the fruit, the wine I waste,
I drag through the weary hours;
But the fruit is bitter to my taste,
And I tire of the scent of flowers.

And I'd take my poverty instead,
And all that I have resign,
To feel as I felt when I coveted
The wealth that now is mine.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.

A gentleman advertised for a boy to assist him in his office, and nearly fifty applicants presented themselves to him. Out of the whole number he in a short time selected one and dismissed the rest.

"I should like to know," said a friend, "on what ground you selected that boy, who had not a single recommendation."

"You are mistaken," said the gentleman; "he had a great many. He wiped his feet when he came in, and closed the door after him, showing that he was careful; he gave up his seat instantly to that lame old man, showing he was kind and thoughtful; he took off his cap when he came in, and answered my questions promptly and respectfully, showing he was polite; he picked up the book which I had purposely laid upon the floor, and replaced it on the table, while all the rest stepped over it or shoved it aside; and he waited quietly for his turn, instead of pushing and crowding, showing that he was orderly. When I talked with him, I noticed that his clothes were carefully brushed, his hair in nice order, and his teeth brushed; and when he wrote his name, I noticed that his finger nails were clean, instead of being tipped with jet, like that handsome little fellow's in the blue jacket. Don't you call those things letters of recommendation? I do, and I would give more for what I can tell about a boy by using my eyes ten minutes, than all the fine letters he can bring me."

A SINGULAR INCIDENT.

A few days since Mr. Gideon Hayes, his wife and little boy, went out to gather some blue grass seed, and a swarm of bees alighted on the boy, literally covering him from head to foot. They hung from his ears, chin and nose in great bunches, and clung in thick clusters to every part of his body. Mr. Haynes, realizing the dangerous situation in which his child was placed, directed him to stand perfectly still, if possible, and not to move a muscle. This the brave little fellow did, until the bees had all settled. Mr. H. then took a stick, gently lifted the boy's hat from his head, and placed it on a neighboring bush, when the entire swarm left their extraordinary resting place and took to the hat and bush. Strange to relate, the boy received only one sting, and that was caused by his seizing with his teeth a bee that was trying to make its way into his mouth. If coolness, presence of mind, and unflinching nerve in the presence of danger, entitle one to the honor of a hero, then this little boy should certainly be enrolled in the calendar.—*Morgan County Gazette.*

In the long run, a tried and proved character for truth, honor, and honesty is the best capital, and gives the largest interest.

THE CHEAPEST GRAIN FOR CHICKENS.

Now that chickens raised the past season have attained the "hungry age," and the frost has somewhat diminished insect forage, the quantity of grain that will be disposed of by a large flock of young fowls is astonishing. The question arises, What is the cheapest food (and the best, all things considered,) that can be bought? The reply is, Indian corn. Give cooked and raw, whole, ground find, and ground coarse, for the sake of change. It is the cheapest thing that can be bought, generally speaking, the amount of nuiriment obtained in it considered. But to give nothing but corn would be a mistake. It should predominate for economy's sake, but oats, buckwheat, wheat, screenings, boiled potatoes, scraps from the table, and as many other things as possible, should be added to the bill of fare.—*Dutchess Farmer.*

SHELTERING STOCK.

An experiment made in England shows that one hundred sheep fed under shelter on twenty pounds of Swedish turnips each per day, at the end of a few weeks had gained three pounds each more than another hundred which were fed twenty pounds of the same kind of turnips each, but in the open air or field. Five sheep were fed in the open air in November, the temperance being at forty-four degrees. They consumed ninety pounds of food per day. At the end of ten days they weighed two pounds less than when at first exposed. Five other sheep were then placed in a shed, the temperance being forty-nine degress; at first they consumed eighty-two pounds per day, then seventy pounds, and at the end of the time they had gained twenty-three pounds. This is proof sufficient of the advantage of sheltering of stock in winter.

RELATIVE VALUE OF FOWLS.

"C. H. T.," of Erie County, New York, writes us that his experience is in favor of games, as they are not excelled for layers, and pick up a living on the farm the year round. The chickens mature earlier than any other breed. Their meat is acknowledged the best; they are also the handsomest, if you select the right kinds, and their stamina, as horsemen say, is the very best. They stand the cold winters, warm summers, and all prevalent diseases the best of any on the farm. Their quick, sprightly walk, and proud carriage is as much better over all others as the thorough-bred is over the dunghill.

FRIENDSHIP.

Gail Hamilton says: If you have got to be careful with your friends, it is not worth while to have any. When you must weigh your words, and speak advisedly lest you give offense, or be misunderstood, let the curtain fall. Perfect friendship is perfect freedom. Freedom to be dull, and cross, and captious and rude, then? Yes, if it is right to be cross, and captious and rude. Whatever it is right to be, it is right to be toward your friend. If it is dignified for a man and a brother to be savage and moody, don't put a restraint upon yourself on account of your wife, dear man and brother. It is not worthy and womanly to be irritable and exacting, and to mark iniquity, or to mark abstraction as iniquity, why should a woman repress her development on account of her husband? I say it is better to be large-natured, and sunny, and sweet, if you are the only living being in the world, and if there are two of you, and you live together, it is indispensable.

From *Nile's Register*, published in 1818, we learn that at that time, more than fifty years ago, Christmas was partially observed in Boston on the 25th of December by a recommendation in the public papers to abstain from business, and by some concerts of sacred music in the evening. In New York some of the stores were shut up, but the theatre was open in the evening. In Philadelphia about one-half of the people paid some attention to the day; but in Baltimore, and to the southward of it, the stores were shut up, the banks closed, and business suspended as on a Sunday.

SUNDAY EVENING.

DARE TO DO RIGHT! DARE TO BE TRUE.

Dare to do right! Dare to be true!
You have a work that no other can do,
Do it so bravely, so kindly so well
Angels will hasten the story to tell.
Dare, dare, dare to do right!
Dare, dare, dare to be true!
Dare to be true! dare to be true!

Dare to do right! dare to be true!
Other men's failures can never save you.
Stand by your conscience, your honor, your faith,
Stand like a hero, and battle till death.
Chorus: Dare, dare, dare, &c.

Dare to do right! dare to be true!
God, who created you, cares for you too;
Treasures the tears that his striving ones shed,
Counts and protects every hair of your head.
Chorus: Dare, dare, dare, &c.

Dare to do right! dare to be true!
Keep the great judgment seat always in view;
Look at your work as you'll look at it then,
Scanned by Jehovah, and angels, and men.
Chorus: Dare, dare, dare, &c.

Dare to do right! dare to be true!
Jesus, your Saviour, will carry you through,
City, and mansion, and throne all in sight,
Can you not dare to be true and do right?
Chorus: Dare, dare, dare, &c.

BLESSEDNESS OF TRUSTING IN GOD.

O, the blessedness of that man who has been enabled to realize the most entire conviction and that not as a theory, but as a practical truth—that God doeth all things well, and that his work is perfect! The grinding and low cares of this life have no place with him. He knows that his affairs are guided by One who cannot err—that he is watched over for good by One who is never weary. Human friends may weary of him and shake him off, if he becomes troublesome by his wants, but he heeds it little—his God invites, solicits, is gratified by the entireness of his dependence, and by the full and undivided burden of his cares.

Strange it is that we are slow to claim the rights thus given us, and which we ought to regard as inestimable privileges. Yet how few are known to any of us, who do truly realize the many promises and gracious invitations to do that which can alone make this life tolerable.—*Kitto.*

THE SOLDIER AND THE FORTRESS.

Often the trembling fugitive mistakes the fortress for a prison, and refuses to enter in. A single soldier in an enemy's country is crossing a plain in haste, and making towards a castle whose battlements appear in relief on the distant sky. A man, who appears a native of the place, joins him from a bypath, and asks with apparent kindness whither he is going. "To yonder fortress," says the soldier, "where my sovereign's army lies in strength." The stranger, under pretence of friendship, endeavors to persuade him that it is a prison. He is an emissary of the enemy, sent to detain the fugitive until it be too late, and then cut him off. In this way many are turned back from the place of refuge; the agents of the enemy under various disguises join themselves to them, and insinuate that to be seriously religious is to throw their liberty away.—*Rev. William Arnot.*

HUMANITY.

What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity. They are but trifles to be sure, but, scattered along life's pathway, the good they do is inconceivable. A smile accompanied by a kind word has been known to reclaim a poor outcast, and change the whole current of a human life. Of all life's blessing none are cheaper, or more easily dispensed than smiles. Then let us not be too chary of them but scatter them freely as we go; for life is too short to be frowned away.

A TIMELY THOUGHT.—There is no calling or profession, however ensnaring in many respects to a Christian mind, provided it be not in itself simply unlawful, wherein God has not raised up faithful witnesses, who have stood forth as examples to others in like situations, of the practicability of uniting great eminence in the Christian life with the discharge of the duties of their profession, however difficult.—*Cecil.*

An exchange announces as an appropriate toast over a glass of ardent, as "Here's what makes us wear old clothes." That's the most sensible toast we have heard for some time—it's a temperance lecture in seven words.

PHUNISMS.

A put up job.—An auction.

A noose paper—a marriage certificate.

Breeches of Trust.—Pantaloons on credit.

Farmers sow wheat; their wives sew tares.

What is larger for being cut at both ends?—A ditch.

A cynical society man says that he does not object to keeping the commandment which tells him to love his neighbor as himself, provided that neighbor is a woman and pretty.

"Woman is a delusion, madam!" exclaimed a crusty old bachelor to a witty young lady. "And man is always hugging some delusion or other," was the quick retort.

Daughter—"Well, to tell the truth, I did not think much of the close of the sermon." Father—"Probably you were thinking more of the clothes of the congregation.

A good story has been told of a lisping officer in the United States army having been victimized by a brother officer (who was noted for his cool deliberation and strong nerves), and his getting square with him in the following manner: The cool joker, the captain, was always quizzing the lisping officer, a lieutenant, for his nervousness.

"Why," said he, one day, in the presence of his company, "nervousness is all nonsense; I tell you, lieutenant, no brave man will be nervous."

"Well," inquired his lisping friend, "how would you do, thpose a shell with an inch futhee thould drop itthelf in a walled angle, in which you had taken thelter from a company of tharp-thooterth, and where it was thertain, it you put out your nothe, you'd get peppered?"

"How?" said the captain, winking at the circle, "why, take it cool, and spit on the fusee."

The party broke up, and all retired except the patrol. The next morning a number of soldiers were assembled on the parade, and talking in clusters, when along came the lisping lieutenant. Lazily opening his eyes, he remarked:

"I want to try an experiment thith morning, and thee how extheedingly cool you can be."

Saying this, he walked deliberately into the captain's quarters, where a fire was burning on the hearth, and placed in its hottest centre a powder canister, and instantly retreated. There was but one mode of egress from the quarters, and that was upon the parade-ground, the road being built up for defence: the occupant took one look at the canister, comprehended his situation, and in a moment dashed at the door, but it was fastened on the outside.

"Charley, let me out if you love me!" shouted the captain.

"Thpit on the canither!" shouted he, in return.

Not a moment was to be lost; he had at first snatched up a blanket to cover his egress, but now, dropping it, he raised the window, and out he bounded, sans culottes, saus everything but a very short under-garment, and thus, with hair almost on end, he dashed upon a full parade-ground. The shout which hailed him brought out the whole barracks to see what was the matter, and the dignified captain pulled a sergeant in front of him to hide himself.

"Why didn't you thpit on it?" inquired the lieutenant.

"Because there were no sharpshooters in front to stop a retreat," answered the captain.

"All I got to thay, then, ith," said the lieutenaut, "that you might thately have done it, for there wathn't a thingle grain of powder in it."

The captain has never spoken of nervousness since.

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